



## Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

<b>Agency name</b>	Virginia Department of Health
<b>Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation</b>	12 VAC 5-371-140
<b>Regulation title</b>	Rules and Regulations for the Licensure of Nursing Facilities
<b>Action title</b>	To require nursing facilities to have policies related infection prevention, disaster preparedness, and facility security.
<b>Final agency action date</b>	
<b>Document preparation date</b>	May 23, 2011

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### Summary

*Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.*

SB924 (2011) requires nursing facilities to have policies related to infection prevention, disaster preparedness, and facility security. Such policies support the current facility regulations pertaining to infection prevention, disaster preparedness and security.

### Statement of final agency action

*Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including (1) the date the action was taken, (2) the name of the agency taking the action, and (3) the title of the regulation.*

Pursuant to § 32.1-20 of the Code of Virginia, the State Health Commissioner signed this action for the Board of Health when not in session.

### Family impact

*Assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability.*

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There is no direct impact on the family.